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October 8, 1998

Mr. Lester Snow  
Executive Director  
CALFED  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1155  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Snow:

Mesa Consolidated Water District (Mesa) is unable to attend the October 14<sup>th</sup> briefing presented by ACWA. Although we will not be present, Mesa would like to again state our position on the ongoing CALFED process.

Mesa affirms the necessity of the CALFED program to determine a long-range ecosystem restoration plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Rivers Delta.

This restoration plan involves highly complex scientific and technical decisions. Of the three alternatives presented for public consideration, the Mesa Consolidated Water District Board of Directors urges CALFED to adopt an alternative that will

- a) be based upon the best science and technology;
- b) provide the highest quality water;
- c) provide certainty of water deliveries through the State Water Project;
- d) develop the reforms necessary to institute a water transfer process;
- e) and, recognize the current implementation of best management practices and other methods to void or reduce reliance upon import water by water agencies through credits assigned on a regional basis tied to river basins.

*Mesa Consolidated  
Water District's mission  
is to serve our customers  
through efficient  
management and  
distribution of a sufficient  
supply of quality water  
at a fair cost.*

Mesa is the only local water agency that has followed this process for the last five years. We encourage you to take into consideration our position. If you have further questions or more information, please call (949) 631-1206.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. Michael Healey', is written over a horizontal line.

R. Michael Healey  
President

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